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This is the first office action for application number 10/708,617, Display Adjustably Positionable About Swivel and Pivot Axes, filed on March 15, 2004.

***Election/Restriction***

Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 1-23, 26, 29-33, and 36-38, drawn to an electronic display assembly/arrangement, classified in class 248, subclass 125.7.
- II. Claims 24, 25, 27, 28, 34, and 35, drawn to a method for providing healthcare service to a patient, classified in class 705, subclass 1.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

Inventions II and I are related as product and process of use. The inventions can be shown to be distinct if either or both of the following can be shown: (1) the process for using the product as claimed can be practiced with another materially different product or (2) the product as claimed can be used in a materially different process of using that product (MPEP § 806.05(h)). In the instant case the product can be used as a form of entertainment, i.e., a display for television programming.

Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.

Claims 1, 26, 29, and 36 appear to be generic to a plurality of disclosed patentably distinct species comprising electronic display assembly, namely, Species I Figs. 1-8; Species II Fig. 9; and Species III Fig. 10. Applicant is required under 35

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U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species, even though this requirement is traversed and to inform the examiner which claims (dependent claims) read upon the species chosen.

Should applicant traverse on the ground that the species are not patentably distinct, applicant should submit evidence or identify such evidence now of record showing the species to be obvious variants or clearly admit on the record that this is the case. In either instance, if the examiner finds one of the inventions unpatentable over the prior art, the evidence or admission may be used in a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) of the other invention.


### ***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Anita M. King whose telephone number is (571) 272-6817. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Robert Olszewski can be reached on (571) 272-6788. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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